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Again, as we all know, mice are esteemed in China and in some parts of India, but the ancient Egyptians, Greeks and Jews abhorred mice and would not touch mouse ment. Rats and field mice were sacred in old Egypt and were not to be eaten on this account. So, tao, in some parts of Greece, the mouse was the sacred animal of Apollo, and mice were fed in his temples. The chosen people were forbidden to eat "the weasel and the mouse and the tortoise after his kind." These

came under the designation of unclean. But people have abstained from eating kinds of flesh which could not be called unclean. For example, the people of Thebes, as Herodotus tells us, abstained from sheep. What is the matter with mutton chops? Then, the ancients used to abstain from certain vegetables. Indeed, the Romans sneered at those Egyptians who did not dare to eat onions, leeks or garlic, and yet the Romans themselves were superstitious about what they ate or what they

should avoid eating. In his "Roman Questions" Plutarch asks, "Why do the Latins abstain strictly from the flesh of the woodpecker?" In order to answer Plutarch's question correctly it is necessary to have some idea of the peculiar custom and belief called "totemism." There is a stage of society in which people claim descent from and kinst in with beasts, bids, vegetables and other objects. This object, which is a "totem," or family mark, they religiously abstain from eating. The members of the tribe are divided into claps or stocks, each are divided into claus or stocks, each of which takes the name of some animal, plant or object, as the bear the buffale, the woodpecker, the asparagus, and so forth. No member of the bear family would dare to eat bear meat, but he has no objection to eating buffalo steak. Even the marriage law is based on this belief, and no man whose family name is Wolf may marry a woman whose man whose amily name is also Wolf.

In a general way it may be said that

almost all our food prohibitions spring from the extraordinary custom generally called totemism. Hr. Swan, who was a missionary for many years in the Kongo Free State, thus describes | Mi the custom: If I were to ask the Yeke people why they do not eat zebra ash, they would reply, "Chi ila"-L e., "It is a thing to which we have an antipathy," or, better, "It is one of the things which our fathers taught us not to eat." so it seems the word "bashilang" means "the people who have an an-tipathy to the leopard;" the "bashalamba," "those who have an antipathy to the dog," and the "bashilanlanzefu," "those who have an antipathy to the elephant." In other words, the members of these stocks refuse to eat their Car totems, the zebra, the leopard and the elephant, from which they take their Far

The survival of antipathy to certain foods was found among people as highly civilized as the Egyptians, the Greeks and the Romans. Quite a list of animals whose flesh was forbidden might be drawn up. For example, in old Egypt the sheep could not be eaten In Thebes, nor the goat in Mendes, nor the cat in Bubastis, nor the crocodile at Ombos, nor the rat, which was sacred to Ra, the sun god. However, the people of one place had no scruples about eating the forbidden food of another place, and this often led to religious disputes and bad blood.

Among the vegetables tabooed as food by the Egyptians may be menbloned the onion, the garile and the leek, Lucian says that the inhabitants of Pelusium adored the onion. According to Pliny, the Egyptians used to swear by the leek and the onlon. Juvehal pokes fun at those who thought it a sin to eat them. "He exclaims, "Surely a very religious nation and a blessed peace where every garden is overrun

with gods!" The survivals of totemism among the ancient Greeks are very interesting. Families named after animals and plants were not uncommon. One Athenian genus, the Ioxidae, had for its ancestral plant the asparagus. We may be sure that this plant was tabooed as food to every man, woman and child of the latidae.—New York Post. One-way colonist tickets to California on sale at Lackawanna Ri froad offices daily from February 14 to April 6, 1906.
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meats and vegetables. For one reason or another people have resolutely refused to eat any and all kinds of flesh, fish, fowl, fruits and plants. Thus the apple, the pear, the strawberry, the quince, the bean, the onion, the leek, the asparagus, the woodpecker, the pigeon, the goose, the deer, the bear, the turtle and the cel-these, to name only a few estables, have been avoided as if unwholesome or positively injurious to health and digestion.

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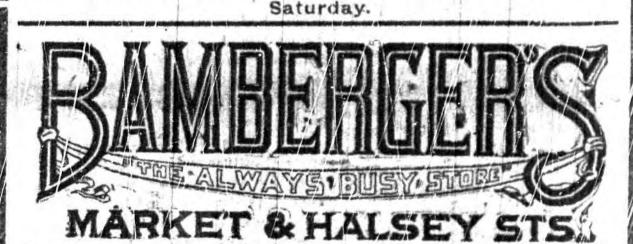


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